

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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PRINTING APPARATUS, PRINT  
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PRINTING SYSTEM  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.